# BTEC Assignment Brief

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| **Qualification** | Pearson BTEC International Level 3 Foundation Diploma in Agriculture<br>Pearson BTEC International Level 3 Diploma in Agriculture<br>Pearson BTEC International Level 3 Extended Diploma in Agriculture |
| **Unit number and title** | Unit 12: International Sheep Production |
| **Learning aim(s)** | **A:** Investigate sheep production systems |
| **Assignment title** | **Sheep Production System** |
| **Assessor** | |
| **Issue date** | |
| **Hand in deadline** | |

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| **Vocational Scenario or Context** | You are working on a commercial farm and you have been asked to investigate different sheep production systems, and to determine one system that would be most suitable for: your environment, production targets; animal welfare; and improving the business model through higher productivity, while maintaining high welfare standards. |
| **Task 1** | You must write a clearly structured report, following your investigation into different sheep production systems. Your report should be an in-depth review of one production and housing system for a specified sheep breed. Your report must consider:<br>• current national conditions<br>• factors affecting the choice of system<br>• biosecurity and environmental impact<br>• preparation for breeding<br>• housing; ventilation, equipment and welfare standards<br>• current relevant legislation and restrictions for all stages of the production cycle<br>• performance indicators and targets<br>• the impact of the system on overall production outcomes.<br>• the selection of stock for sale. |
| **Checklist of evidence required** | A written report. |



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| Criteria covered by this task: | |
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| Unit/Criteria reference | To achieve the criteria, you must show that you are able to: |
| A.D1 | Demonstrate proficient selection of animals for market and end of use, evaluating the impact of a sheep production system and accurate selection on overall production outcomes. |
| A.M2 | Demonstrate effective selection of animals for different markets and end of use. |
| A.M1 | Analyse the impact of sheep production and accurate selection on overall performance and production outcomes. |
| A.P1 | Explain a production system for sheep. |
| A.P2 | Demonstrate competent selection of animals for different markets and end of use, using performance indicators. |

| **Sources of information to support you with this Assignment** | **Book**<br>Henderson, D. (2002). *The Veterinary Book for Sheep Farmers*. Old Pond Publishing Ltd |
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